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TAGS: SHUM, OVIP (DRINAN, FATHER ROBERT), ES, PDIP
SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR PROTESTS COMPORTMENT OF
CONGRESSMAN DRINAN

REF: SAN SALVADOR 0222

1. I WAS CALLED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THIS MORNING AND RECEIVED--IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER WHO IS ILL--BY UNDER SECRETARY MENDOZA.
2. THE UNDER SECRETARY SAID THAT UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM PRESIDENT ROMERO HE WISHED TO LODGE A VERBAL PROTEST AGAINST FATHER DRINAN'S TREATMENT LAST WEEK OF THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE, AND THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF.
3. BY WAY OF AMPLIFICATION, MENDOZA SAID THAT FATHER DRINAN AHD BEEN LACKING IN ELEMENTAL NORMS OF COURTESY, HAD OFTEN SPOKEN IN AN AGRESSIVE AND OVERBEARING WAY (AGRESIVA Y ALTANERA"), AND HAD RAISED HIS VOICE UNNECESSARILY IN SPEAKING TO THE PRESIDENT.
4. HAD FATHER DRINAN BEEN ALONE, SAID UNDER

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SECRETARY MENDOZA, OR ACCOMPANIED ONLY BY THE INTERPRETER, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN ASKED TO LEAVE THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. THE PRESIDENT WANTED ME TO KNOW, HE ADDED, THAT ONLY OUT OF RESPECT FOR MY PRESENCE AND MY OBVIOUS ATTEMPT TO BE HELPFUL TO BOTH SIDES HAD HE REFRAINED FROM SUCH ACTION.

5. IN CONCLUDING HIS PRESENTATION, THE UNDER SECRETARY SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED THAT THIS VERBAL PROTEST BE MADE KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THAT THE US CONGRESS BE INFORMED OF IT. I PROMISED TO REPORT HIS PROTEST WITHOUT DELAY.

6. I ALSO RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL THIS MORNING DIRECTLY FROM PRESIDENT ROMERO AKSING ME TO VISIT HIM IN HIS OFFICE AT 11:00 AM TOMORROW. THE SUBJECT WAS UNSPECIFIED BUT COULD EASILY BE THE SAME.
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